BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 95-1235-C - ORDER NO. 96-33 / JANUARY 11, 1996

IN RE: Application for Approval of Transfer of) ORDER Assets from Teledial America, Inc. DBA) DENYING U.S. Signal to LCI International Telecom) MOTION Corporation and Related Transactions.

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion to Waive Hearing filed by Counsel for Applicant in this matter. The Applicant states that the transactions in this matter involve the transfer of assets, however the transactions described will in no way affect the customers of any of Applicants, and simply are transfers of assets, and the merging of two companies that are owned by the same parent company. Further, Counsel states that because of the seamless nature of the transactions, that the public interest would be served without requiring the applicant to have a hearing.

The Commission has examined this matter and must deny the motion to waive the hearing. S.C. Code Ann. Section §58-9-310 requires "due hearing" before the Commission may approve a sale of any of the assets of telephone utility. Therefore, this matter shall be set for public hearing at such time as Staff shall deem appropriate.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman Mulabell

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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